

Steps for Registering Online for the ACT

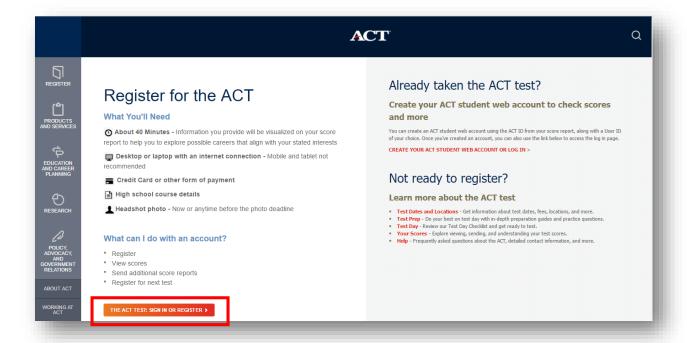
In Tennessee, all public school students must participate in a postsecondary readiness assessment such as the ACT or SAT. All Tennessee school districts currently contract with the ACT, Inc. to offer the ACT postsecondary readiness assessment to all juniors on a statewide testing date. The ACT, Inc. also offers national test dates for students to take the exam. In 2016, for example, all seniors will have the opportunity to retake the ACT on a national test date through the ACT Senior Retake Opportunity. For more information about the ACT Senior Retake Opportunity, click here.

The department has created this guide to assist educators who support students registering for the ACT. If a student is registering for a national test date, the easiest way to register is through the ACT's online registration platform. Below you will find a step-by-step guide for the ACT's online registration process.



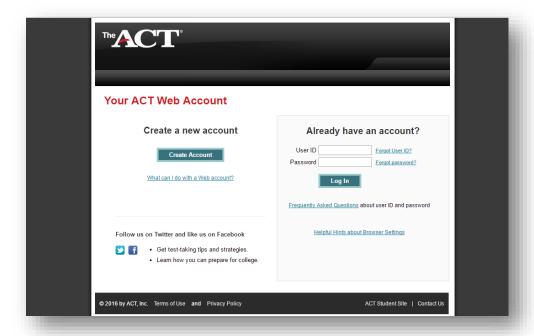
Step 1: Accessing the ACT Test Registration Site and Create an Account

To begin registration for the ACT test, type or paste the following link into a web browser: http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration-information.html. To sign into the ACT online platform, select the orange button at the bottom of the page titled "The ACT Test: Sign In or Register."



After selecting the orange button, the student will be directed to the following page shown below. If there is an existing account, the student can sign in with his/her user ID and password. If the student does not have an account, he/she will need to create an account in order to continue the registration process.





If an account needs to be created, the student will be directed to the following page.

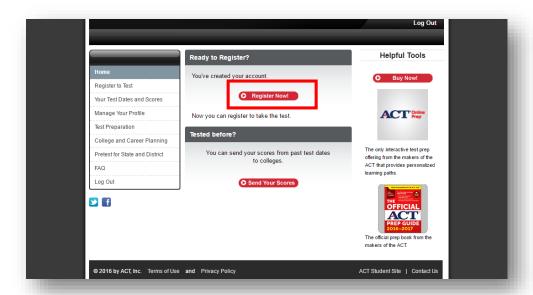


After answering the initial questions, the student will be directed to a set of other pages requiring basic background information to set up an ACT account. The student will need to fill out this information to continue registering online for the ACT.

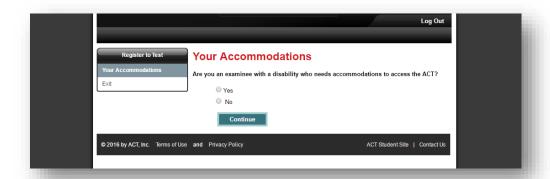


Step 2: Registering for the Test

After signing in or setting up an account, the student can begin registering for the ACT by selecting the red button titled "Register Now!"



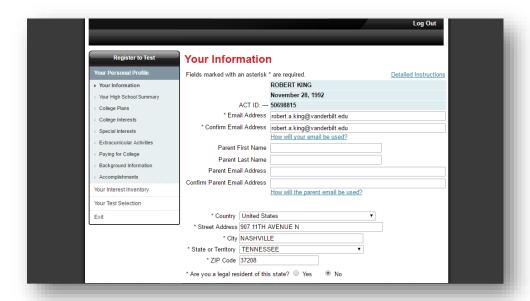
After selecting the red button, the student will be directed to the page below. If the student will be requesting accommodations for the test, the student should select "Yes" on this page. If not, the student should mark "No."



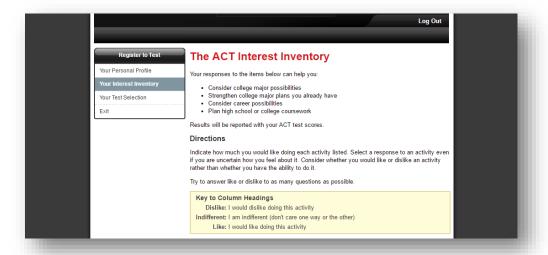


Step 3: Filling Out the Personal Profile and Interest Inventory

After completing the page regarding accommodations (if applicable), the student will be asked to provide additional information in two sections: "Your Personalized Profile" and "Your Interest Inventory." Both sections are optional. However, the information the student provides in these sections may be valuable for helping the student consider postsecondary and career interests.

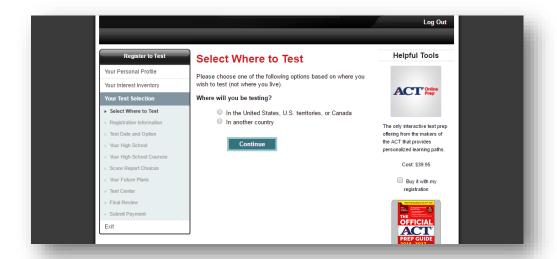






Step 4: Selecting Which Country to Test In

After completing the Personal Profile and Interest Inventory, the student will be directed to the Test Selection section. From this point on, the student will need to fill out every section as presented in order to register successfully for the ACT test. Below is the first page of this section. Here, the student will have to select in which country he/she will be taking the test.

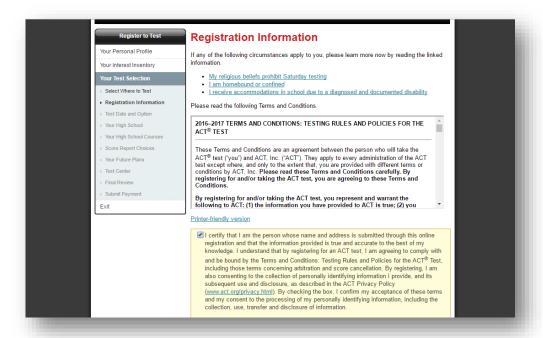




Step 5: Identifying Who is Registering for Test

After selecting which country, the student will be asked to select the individual who is registering for the test. If the student is registering, he/she will select the appropriate option.

Afterwards, the student will be asked to verify that all of the information that has been provided up to this point is accurate by checking a box.

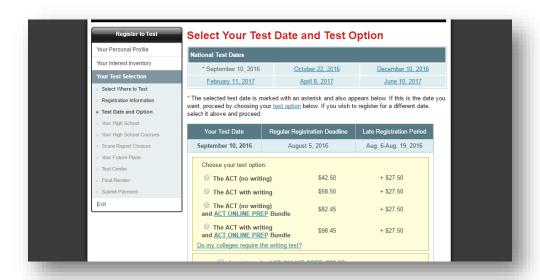




Step 6: Selecting Test Date and Test Type

After verifying background information, the student will select the test date and test type. The price of each test type can also be found on this page. If the student is using a retake voucher, the voucher will cover the cost of the ACT (without writing). If the student is using a fee waiver, the waiver will cover the cost of the ACT (without writing) **or** the ACT with writing.

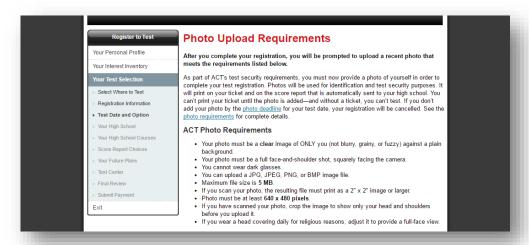
Note: Seniors who are registering for the *ACT Senior Retake Opportunity* using a retake voucher **must register for the October 22, 2016,** test date.





Step 7: Uploading a Photo

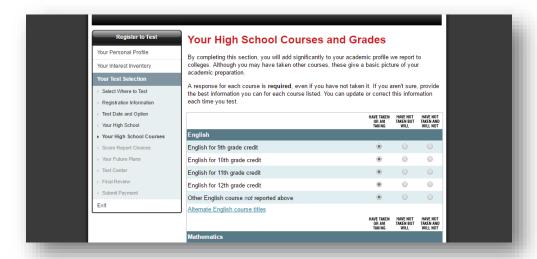
After selecting the test date and test type, the student will be directed to a page that will notify and instruct how to upload a headshot photo, which is necessary identification material for the ACT test. However, the photo will not be uploaded until after a payment is made.



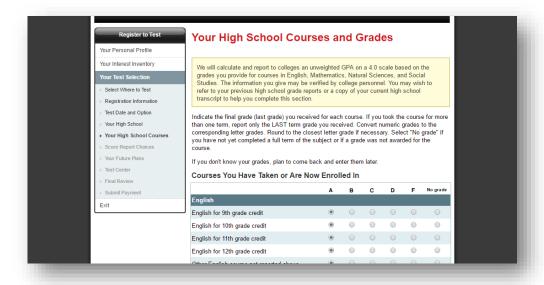
Step 8: Entering High School Courses and Corresponding Grades

In this section, the student is required to provide information on which courses have been taken, and are currently being taken, in high school. For each course listed on this page, there are three options for the student to choose from: "Have taken or am taking," "Have not taken but will take," and "Have not taken and will not take." The student will have to check which option applies to each listed course.





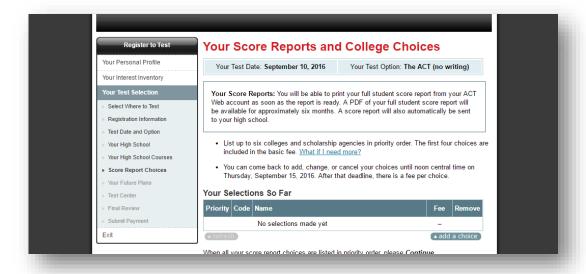
After filling out this information, on the subsequent page, the student will be asked to report grades for the identified courses. While the student should try to provide accurate grades, if the student does not remember and/or does not have his/her transcript when registering, it is okay if the student guesses.





Step 9: Choosing Where to Send Score Reports

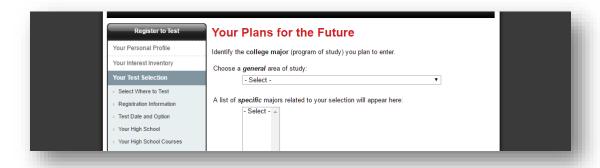
The student will be allowed to select up to six postsecondary institutions (this can include technical colleges, 2-year colleges, and 4-year universities) or scholarship agencies to receive the test scores. **The first four score reports are included in the registration fee.** Each institution and/or scholarship agency is assigned a code that can be found by searching the <u>ACT website</u>. Additional score reports beyond the first four will require an additional fee.





Step 10: Identifying Future Goals

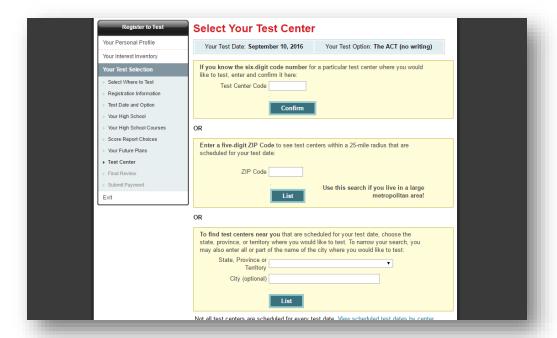
In this section, the student will be asked to identify plans for future study, including identifying a postsecondary major. A major is a specified area of study (e.g., chemistry, English, etc.) in which a student decides to focus a majority of his/her academic efforts. If the student is undecided, there is an "Undecided" option available. The student must select something in order to complete the registration.



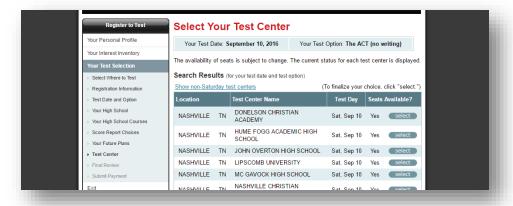


Step 11: Selecting an ACT Test Site

Most importantly, the student must select where to take the ACT test. The student can find a site by typing in a zip code or selecting a state and city.



Once typed in, a list of potential test sites will appear. The student can select whichever site is preferred. **Note:** If there are no seats available at the student's preferred site, the student will have to choose another testing site.* When registering, it is important that the student is able to determine how to travel to and from that site location on the test day.

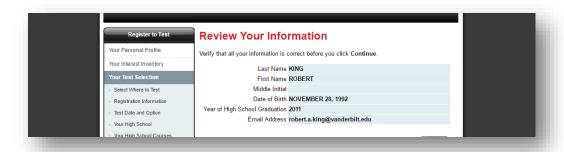


^{*}Students may register at national sites outside of Tennessee.



Step 12: Reviewing Information

Before concluding the registration process and paying for the test, the student will be asked to review all of the information that has been provided. If the student feels comfortable with all of the information provided, the student can click on the "Continue" button at the bottom of the page in order to start the payment process.





Step 13: Making a Payment

After reviewing the registration information, the student will complete the registration by providing a payment for the test. **If your student is using a retake voucher, state voucher, or a fee waiver, the code number on the document will be the method of payment.** Your student's voucher or waiver will cover basic registration fees. However, neither the voucher nor the waiver will cover late registration fees or the cost of other ACT products.

After entering the voucher or fee waiver code, the student will select "**Apply.**" Next, the student will click "Submit". After selecting "Submit," the student's registration will be complete.

IMPORTANT! Remember that the student will need to upload a headshot photo after submitting concluding registration.

